



For Immediate Release
Date: June 21, 2016 AM

Sherpa Fire

Location: West of Goleta, Santa Barbara County, Los Padres National Forest.

Acres Burned:	7,969	Structures Threatened:	270
Containment:	70%	Structures Destroyed:	1
Fire Started:	June 15, 2016	Injuries:	9
Cause:	Under investigation		
Total personnel assigned to the fire: 2,178			

Summary

Containment lines held throughout the night with additional progress made on the northeast corner of the fire, extreme heat and challenging terrain remain a factor within this area.

Interior burning of vegetation was observed within the fire perimeter throughout the evening.

Sundowner wind conditions will begin to give way to increasing onshore winds today. Temperatures remain above normal with lower relative humidity levels dominating the area.

Firefighters will continue to build and reinforce containment lines along the northern and eastern sides of the fire and along the West Camino Cielo Ridge. Aircraft continue to assist in providing coverage to those areas difficult to access. Retardant lines in place have been an essential factor in limiting the growth potential of uncontained areas of the fire.

Evacuations

Changes to current Mandatory Evacuation and Evacuation Warning areas are scheduled to occur beginning June 22 at 5 a.m. See <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov> for further details.

Refugio State Beach will reopen to the public on Saturday, June 25. El Capitan State Beach will remain closed at least through July 15.

For additional re-population information, Santa Barbara County residents can call 211, contact the Sherpa Fire Information Line at (800) 325-9604, or visit Santa Barbara County online at countyofsb.org.

A Red Flag warning remains in effect from through 10 a.m., Tuesday, June 21, 2016.



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